



We have two precious little boys, Cooper is 4 years old and Coulter is 2 years old.



### WE FEEL VERY BLESSED

to have been given two biological children, but it is unsafe for Riley to carry again. We have always felt called to grow our family through adoption and are very excited for this opportunity.







## OUR LOVE STORY

began our first year of college.



We caught each other's eye while working on a service project through a shared organization, and developed a year long friendship prior to dating. We joke that it took forever to convince Chance to ask me on a date, but for me, it was love at first sight. He was dedicated to a year of rooting himself in Christ without distractions, and I have come to appreciate his commitment although it was hard to be patient at the time. We were married three years later, and have now been married for ten years.

What makes our marriage strong is that we are quite different in many ways, but we have a shared mission in life which is to live in a way that points others to Christ. This has a major impact on how we view the gift of children as we are committed to raising followers of Jesus.

OUR LIFE IS BUSY, BUT WE WOULD NOT CHANGE IT FOR THE WORLD. We enjoy

playing sports and superheros in the backyard most evenings. On the weekends, we love to attend sporting events and to spend time with family.

## WE LOVE TO TRAVEL AS A FAMILY!

One thing Riley's family did, that we would like to continue in our family, is to give our children experiences as gifts such as travel and vacations.

We will spend many summers on the road and visiting various places to experience the United States. As our children get older, we hope to travel all over the world.







## ALL ABOUT

## CHANCE





A FEW FAVORITES

#### **VACATION SPOT**

Alaska

## PLACE TO TAKE A CHILD

Grandparent's farm

#### LUNCH BOX SNACK

Pringles

#### **HOBBY**

Reading and Carpentry

#### DESSERT

Cobbler (any kind)

#### SPORT YOU LIKE TO PLAY

Swimming

#### AUTHOR YOU LIKE TO READ

Brandon Sanderson and Agatha Christie

#### **SPORTS TEAM**

Texas A&M

#### **ICE CREAM FLAVOR**

Blue Bell Peppermint Bark

## WHAT DOES A PERFECT DAY LOOK LIKE

Wake up, cook breakfast, play with family, read or work on a carpentry project in the evening.





Chance is the most patient, humble, and kind man. He puts the needs of his family and others above his own in every circumstance.



He is the jungle gym, Wresting buddy, and teammate for whatever sport our boys decide to play in the backyard. Cooper and Coulter wait anxiously every evening for their Dad to come home and play. My husband is most excited about TEACHING OUR CHILDREN TO BE GODLY LEADERS, WORK HARD, AND SERVE OTHERS.

Our lives are quite busy as we both work full time jobs, are active in our church community, and we cheer on our children as they participate in various activities. That being said, Chance is the leader of our home who slows us down and makes sure everyone is seen, heard, and loved.

I AM A FAMILY MEDICINE PHYSICIAN. I take care of children and adults. It is a pleasure to meet the needs of my community in such a role, and I feel confident that the Lord has called me to serve him through medicine.









### ALL ABOUT

## RILEY





A FEW FAVORITES

#### **VACATION SPOT**

Alaska

#### **MUSICAL ARTIST**

**Taylor Swift** 

#### **LUNCH BOX SNACK**

Beef Jerky

## CAN'T LIVE

Sports

## SPORTS YOU LIKE TO PLAY

Volleyball

#### **CHILDREN'S BOOK**

God Made You Special

#### **DREAM JOB**

Educator

#### **SPORTS TEAM**

Texas A&M

#### **ICE CREAM**

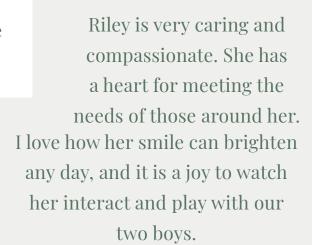
**FLAVOR** 

Blue Bell Peppermint Bark

#### COFFEE

Chestnut Praline Latte







Our boys light up when their mom cheers for them as they play various sports in the backyard. My wife is most excited about RAISING CHILDREN THAT SPREAD THE LOVE OF JESUS, WORK HARD AT WHATEVER THEY DO, AND SHOW KINDNESS TO WHOEVER THEY ENCOUNTER.

We have faced many challenges such as a miscarriage, medical school, and one of our boys having to stay in the pediatric ICU due to RSV. Although difficult, these trials have brought us closer together and deepened our trust in the Lord. There is no one I would rather do life with than her.

# SPECIALIST AT AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. I work with teachers so that they are able to use curriculum to educate children in a way that best meets their individual needs. I am confident that the Lord has placed me in my role to be a light to the adults and children around me.















#### MEET COOPER

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Cooper is 4 years old and loves to play any and every sport. He also enjoys dressing up as a superhero and fighting the "bad guys." He is the more reserved of our two boys but is warm, kind, and loves to make sure all are included. He is shy when you first meet him, but eventually his silly side comes out and he likes to make people laugh.

#### MEET COULTER

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Coulter is 2 years old and also loves to play any and every sport. He joins his brother in fighting the bad guys. Coulter is the more rambunctious of the two, but he has a gentle heart. He is far more outgoing, but loves to make people laugh just as much as Cooper.





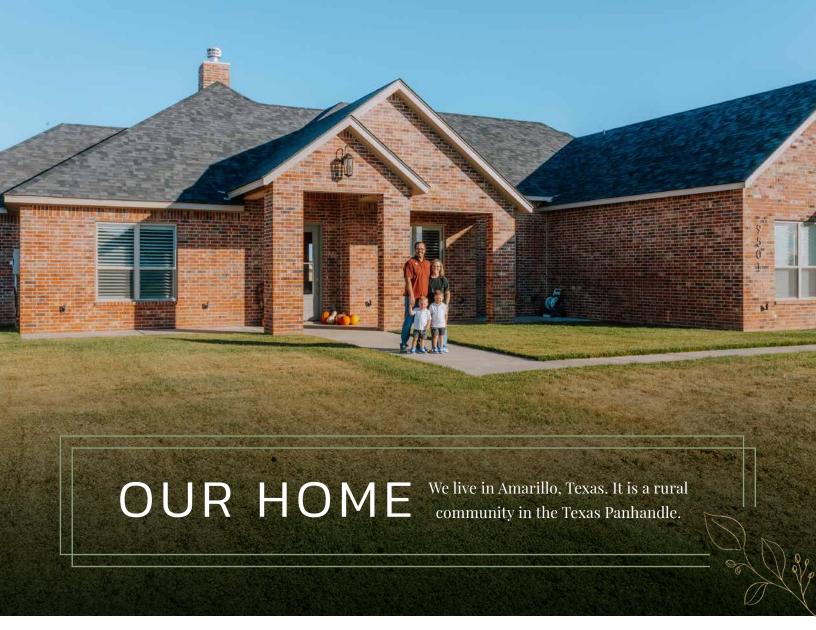
#### WE PROMISE ...

- To raise our children to love and follow Jesus.
- To raise our children to be positive contributers to society.
- To teach our children to work hard in everything they do.
- To teach our children that all choices have consequences: good and bad.

- To love our children unconditionally but maintain high expectations for them.
- To teach our children how to be humble and serve others.
- To teach our children to take care of those in need.
- To provide our children with experiences not just material things.

- To guide and encourage our children to pursue their God given gifts.
- To incorporate our child's heritage into our lives.
- Our willingness to have an open adoption.
- To honor our child's birth parents in our family.
- To speak to our child about adoption.







It may seem like not much is here, but it is a growing community with endless opportunity for our family. Amarillo is just inside the northwest border of Texas, so we have quick access to New Mexico, Colorado, Oklahoma, and Kansas. We particularly enjoy visiting New Mexico and Colorado to snow ski and relax in the mountains. We live on a one acre lot in a neighborhood of families with young children. Our neighborhood makes it easy to go out and ride bikes, go on family walks, and have afternoon or evening playdates with the children next door. Our large backyard makes it easy to play sports with our boys, be superheros, and just goof around. The weather is always changing here, so it's hard to get too much of one season. Depending on the time of year, it sometimes feels like we get all four seasons in one day. The part of Amarillo we live in is rapidly growing and offers innumerable options for schooling that are all fantastic.











## OUR FAMILY





Riley has a large family with one older brother and two younger sisters. Her parents and older brother with his family live close to the Amarillo area. One sister and her family live in Plano, TX while the other sister and her husband live in College Station, TX. They all love to get together at any time for any reason and it is always a blast.

Chance has one younger brother and two younger sisters. His parents divorced when he was 6. His family is not very close, but as the years have gone by they have started to get closer. Get togethers with his family are not as frequent but are still enjoyable. His dad and step mom live in Guymon, OK, while his mom and step dad live in Lubbock, TX. His brother lives in their home town with his wife and three kids. One of his sister's lives in Houston and works as a physical therapist while is youngest sister lives in Lubbock and is finishing up her college degree.



CHANCE'S FAMILY CELEBRATING THE HOLIDAYS











#### **DATE OF MARRIAGE 12/28/2013**

#### **CHILDREN**

- Cooper 5/10/19 Biological. Cooper is kind-hearted, patient, and reserved.
- Coulter- 3/31/2021- Biological. Coulter is feisty and rambunctious, but he is very sweet and snuggly.

Both boys love playing outside, pretending to be football players, superheroes, and bull riders, and wrestling with their dad.

**INTERESTS AND HOBBIES** Chance enjoys reading and working on carpentry projects. Riley enjoys anything competitive and sports related. As a family we enjoy traveling, exploring new places, hosting friends and family in our home, and attending events in our community.

**HOME** Our 4 bedroom 3 bathroom home is on a 1 acre lot in a friendly neighborhood. We have lots of space for outdoor activities as well as indoor space for hosting friends and family. Many young families live around us, and our neighborhood likes to put on an annual parade and frequent cookouts/social events.

#### WHY ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BUILDING YOUR

FAMILY THROUGH ADOPTION? We feel very

blessed to have been given two biological children, but because mom has abnormal reproductive anatomy, it is unsafe to carry again. We have always felt called to grow our family through adoption and are very excited for this opportunity. We understand what an emotional decision this may be for the birth parent(s), but we admire your courage and selfless act allowing us to gain another child to love unconditionally.

**OPENNESS TO BIRTHPARENT(S)** Birth Parent(s), we look forward to forming a relationship with and maintaining contact with you. For us this looks like exchanging pictures, letters, phone calls, text messages, and visits.

CHILDCARE PLANS For the first 6 weeks after placement, mom will stay home with the baby. For the following 6 weeks, grandmother will take care of the baby. After 12 weeks, the baby will attend childcare at Primrose School of Amarillo with his/her two older brothers.



#### THANK YOU

FOR TAKING THE TIME TO READ OUR STORY AND CONSIDERING OUR FAMILY.

We know this is not an easy decision but we admire your courage and selfless act allowing us to gain another child to love unconditionally. We pray that the Lord will guide you in this decision and promise that this child will be loved as our own.

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